THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) A financial package of Rs. 1000 crores was approved by Government of India (GOI) during 2001-2002, of which Rs. 400 crores was provided by GOI through subscribing to 20 year convertible debentures of IFCI, the balance to be contributed by the major shareholders. On the request of IFCI, GOI have recently agreed to extend the period of guarantee on part of IFCI's domestic borrowings, and also the guarantee on the raising of US$ 100 million foreign borrowings so as to enable IFCI meet its immediate repayment obligations.

**Tourist circuits in Gujarat**

*322. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of tourist circuits set-up in the country so far, State-wise;

(b) the amount spent thereon during the last two years;

(c) whether Government propose to develop some more National Tourist Circuits in the country, particularly in Gujarat;

(d) if so, the details thereof, location-wise; and

(e) the funds likely to be spent thereon?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) and (b) Department of Tourism, Government of India had identified 21 Tourist Circuits at the end of the Ninth Plan. The list of circuits identified is given in the Statement (*See* below). An amount of Rs. 26.78 crore has been sanctioned during last two years *i.e.* 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 for projects at places falling under these circuits for development and promotion of tourism.

(c) and (d) During the Tenth Five Year Plan the Department of Tourism, Government of India proposes to identify six travel circuits in the country

on an annual basis and develop them to international standards. These circuits will be finalised and developed in close coordination and partnership with the State/UT Governments and the concerned Government of India Departments.

(e) An amount of Rs. 41.50 crores has been earmarked for the integrated development of six circuits during the Annual Plan 2002-2003.

***Statement***

*List of Travel Circuits*

1. Kullu-Manali-Lahul/Spiti-Leh-Monastic Circuit
2. Gwalior-Shivpuri-Orchha-Khajuraho
3. Bagdogra-Sikkim-Darjeeling-Kalimpong
4. Bhubaneshwar-Puri-Konark
5. Hyderabad-Nagarjunasagar-Tirupati
6. Madras-Mahabalipuram-Kancheepuram-Vellur-Thiruvannamalai Ginjee-Pondicherry (Southern Heritage Circuit)
7. Rishikesh-Narendranagar-Gangotri-Badrinath
8. Bhopal-Sanchi-Indore-Ujjain-Maheshwar-Omkareshwar-Mandu (Bhopal and Sanchi)
9. Jaisalmer-Jodhpur-Bikaner-Barmer
10. Bangalore-Mysore-Hassan
11. Raigad Fort-Janjira Fort-Kuda Caves-Sirivardhan-Harihareshwar-Sindhudurg
12. Varanasi/Sarnath-Gorakhpur Kushinagar-Sunali-Piprahwa (Kapilvastu), Sankis Kausambi-Sravasti-Lucknow (Buddhist Circuit)
13. Patna-Bodhgaya-Nalanda-Rajgir-Vaishali (Buddhist Circuit)
14. Bhubaneshwar-Lalitgiri-Ratnagiri-Udaygiri-Kendraparha-Chand Bali Bhadrak (Sun Temple)
15. Cochin-Thekkady-Madurai-Rameswaram

16. Harishankar-Narsinghanath-Hirakud-Sambalpur-Bed Vyas (Gandhamardhan Circuit)

17. Swaranchuda Circuit-Chandipur-Chandaneshwar-Panchelingeswar-Simlipal Sanctuary-Khiching

18. Araku Valley-Nandapur-Gupteshwar-Rayagada (Panchabati Circuit)

19. Guwahati-Kaziranga-Shillong-Tawang

20. The Temple Circuit:

    Ahmedabad-Rajkot-Dwarka-Porbandar-Somnath-Girnar-Palitana-Ahmedabad

21 The Heritage Circuit:

    Ahmedabad-Modhera-Patan-Ambaji-Mt. Abu.

**Asset Management Company**

*323. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN:
SHRI V.V. RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to form an Asset Management Company (AMC) to manage Government equity in all the Public Sector Undertakings; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI JASWANT SINGH): (a) and (b) The proposal to form an Asset Management Company (AMC) to manage Government equity in all Public Sector Undertakings is under consideration of the Government.

**International Airport at Hyderabad**

*324. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the current status regarding construction of international airport at Hyderabad; and